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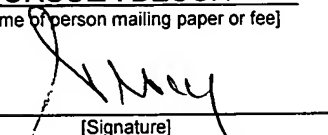
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following reference A) which is cited in the instant specification and references B) to C). Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

	Country:	Patent or Appl. No:	Patentee or Applicant:	Issue or Filing Date:
A)	Europe	EP 0 742 637	Siemens AG	11-13-1996
B)	Germany	DE 36 14 979 C2	Heidelberger Druck.	11-05-1987
C)	USA	US 4 074 176	Parke et al.	02-14-1978

Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

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In addition, applicant notes with respect to any information that is not in English language as follows:

Reference B) describes a safety system for a printing machine having at least one machine drive, a brake device and an electronic control system therefor. The electronic control system has power control stages which permit electronic braking of the drive assembly, and a monitoring circuit, to which can be fed nominal and actual values of the speed of the drive assembly, and which actuate the brake device in the case of impermissibly high deviation between a nominal value and an actual value. Accelerations and decelerations necessary in the operation of the printing machine are achieved by suitable control of the respective machine drive.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art.

Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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	4,074,176	02-14-1978	Parke et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Subclass	Translation
	EP 0 742 637	11-13-1996	Europe			no
	DE 36 14 979 C2	11-05-1987	Germany			no

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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